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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Director of Personnel

SUBJECT

: Restricting "Housing" Notices on Agency Bulletin Boards

to "Open Housing"

1. As I reported to you over the telephone on 21 July, Mrs. Rosner of Suburban Maryland Fair Housing, when queried by apologetic for having made the complaint and advised that her complaint did not pertain to CIA nor did she have the names of any employees of CIA concerning such an incident. This apology resulted when asked Mrs. Rosner for the identities and substance of the reported complaint. What happened here we simply do not know.

2. We should, however, be alert to calls of this nature and the decision to respond to such calls should be referred to the appropriate senior officer. The lesson here is to seek the facts and investigate the incident rather than to offer gratuitously an explanation of our policies concerning bulletin boards or similar employee activities. To my knowledge there is no requirement for employee notices on bulletin boards to carry specific statements concerning equal opportunity conditions. Our bulletin boards are for the convenience of our employees and supplements their efforts to secure or dispose of housing and other opportunities within the framework of the security restrictions we place on the activities of our employees. In the absence of any indication of misuse on indiscretions concerning employee notices on bulletin boards, I feel that we should make no change. Keep me advised, however, if any developments do occur which may cause us to review our current practices.

SICKED R. L. Bannerman

R. L. Bannerman Deputy Director for Support

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